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INFORMATION ON GREENHOUSES

Numerous inquiries are being received from persons who contemplate the building of a greenhouse or entering the business of growing greenhouse crops. This sheet has been prepared to refer inquirers to available information on the subject.

Anyone interested in greenhouse work, especially those without actual experience, should study the matter very carefully before going into it. As suggested sources of information on the subject we are listing several books devoted to various phases of greenhouse and related work.

"Florist Crop Production and Marketing" by K. Post.

"Greenhouses, Their Construction and Equipment" by W. J. Wright, Rev. Ed. 1946.

"Vegetable Forcing" by R. L. Watts, Rev. Ed. 1929.

"Starting Early Vegetable and Flowering Plants under Glass" by C. H. Nissley, Rev. Ed. 1935.

These 4 books published by the Orange Judd Company, 15 East 26th Street, New York 10, N. Y.

"Commercial Floriculture" by Fritz Bahr, 4th Ed. 1937.

"American Greenhouse Construction" by Richard Muller. 1927

These two books published by the A. T. De La Mare Co., Inc., 438-448 W. 37th Street, New York 18, N. Y.

"Soils and Fertilizers for Greenhouse and Garden" by Alex Laurie and D. C. Kiplinger, 1946, published by Dodd, Mead & Company, Inc., 432 - 4th Avenue, New York 16.

"The Florist Business" by E. A. White, 1933, published by The Macmillan Co., 60 Fifth Avenue, New York 11, N. Y.

"Floriculture, Fundamentals and Practices" by Alex Laurie and V. H. Ries, 2nd Ed. 1950.

"Commercial Flower Forcing" by Alex Laurie and D. C. Kiplinger, 5th Ed. 1948.

These two books obtainable from McGraw-Hill Book Company, 330 West 42nd Street, New York 36, N. Y.

"New Greenhouse Gardening for Everyone" by E. D. Chabot, 1955 Published by M. Barrows & Co., Inc. 425 - 4th Avenue, New York 16, N. Y.

"Commercial Glasshouse Crops" by W. F. Bewley, 1950. Obtainable from Transatlantic Arts, Inc., Hollywood-by-the-Sea, Florida

"The Greenhouse" by F. G. Preston, 1951, published by Ward Lock & Co., Ltd. 6 Chancery Lane, London W. C. 2. England.

Prices and other information about these books may be obtained from the publishers or from local book dealers. The Department of Agriculture has no copies for sale. Some of them may be available for reference in most of the larger public libraries, including State agricultural college and experiment station libraries.

Several periodicals devote a proportion of their space to the greenhouse business. The following four publications would be of particular interest to anyone connected with, or contemplating entering the greenhouse business:

"The Florists Review", published by the Florists Publishing Co., 343 South Dearborn Street, Chicago 4, Ill.

"The Market Growers Journal", published by Market Growers Journal, Inc., 11 S. Forge Street, Akron 4, Ohio

"The Florists Exchange and Horticultural Trade World", published by the A. T. De La Mare Co., Inc., 448 W. 37th Street, New York 18, N. Y.

"The Southern Florist and Nurseryman", published by Southern Florist Publishing Co., 120 St. Louis Street, Fort Worth 1, Texas.

Many firms specialize in the manufacture of greenhouse construction materials, much of it of a specialized kind developed to meet the needs of this-particular industry. As a help in obtaining materials and to enable the grower to secure additional information on greenhouse materials and greenhouse construction the names and addresses of several firms engaged in this business are given. This list is probably incomplete but no discrimination is intended and no guarantee of reliability is implied.

Lord & Burnham, Irvington, N. Y.

Metropolitan Greenhouse Mfg. Corp., 1873 Flushing Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

American Moninger Greenhouse Mfg. Corp., 1820 Flushing Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y.

A. Dietsch Co., 2640 Sheffield Ave., Chicago 14, Ill.

Ickes-Braun Greenhouse Mfg. Co., 2320-2342 Wabansia Ave., Chicago 47, Ill.

Foley Greenhouse Mfg. Co., 7711 Van Buren St., Forest Park, Ill.

Winandy Greenhouse Construction Co., Inc., Richmond, Ind.

The A. T. Stearns Lumber Co., 98 Taylor St., Boston 22, Mass.

Yoho and Hooker, Youngstown, Ohio.

A communication to any of these firms undoubtedly will bring you appropriate information about their respective products.

The following publications are obtainable (unless out of stock) from the Office of Information, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C.

Farmers' Bulletins:

* 1318, Greenhouse Construction and Heating, Rev. 1952.

1418, Lettuce Growing in Greenhouse, Rev. 1948.

1743, Hotbeds and Coldframes, Rev. 1941.

2082, Commercial production of greenhouse tomatoes, 1955.

Leaflet No. 124, Sash Greenhouses, Rev. 1946.

Finally it is suggested that you write to your State Agricultural Experiment Station and to your State College of Agriculture for further information.

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* For sale from:

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